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May 16, 2007

TO: Members of the MAG Transportation Review Committee

FROM: Tom Callow, City of Phoenix, Chair

SUBJECT: MEETING NOTIFICATION AND TRANSMITTAL OF TENTATIVE AGENDA

Thursday, May 24, 2007, 10:00 a.m. MAG Office, Suite 200, Saguaro Room

302 North 1st Avenue, Phoenix

A meeting of the MAG Transportation Review Committee (TRC) will be held at the time and place noted above. Please park in the garage under the building. Bring your ticket to the meeting as parking will be validated. Bicycles can be locked in the rack at the entrance to the parking garage.

Members of the MAG Transportation Review Committee may attend **in person, via videoconference or by telephone conference call**. Those attending by videoconference must notify the MAG office three business days prior to the meeting. Those attending by telephone conference call are requested to call (602) 261-7510 between 9:55 a.m. and 10:00 a.m. on the date of the meeting. After the prompt, please enter the meeting ID number 6872 (MTRC) on the telephone keypad followed by the pound key. If you have a problem or require assistance, dial 0 after calling the number above.

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TENTATIVE AGENDA

- 1. Call to Order
- 2. Approval of Draft March 29, 2007 Minutes
- 3. Call to the Audience

An opportunity will be provided to members of the public to address the Transportation Review Committee on items not scheduled on the agenda that fall under the jurisdiction of MAG, or on items on the agenda for discussion but not for action. Citizens will be requested not to exceed a three minute time period for their comments. A total of 15 minutes will be provided for the Call to the Audience agenda item, unless the Transportation Review Committee requests an exception to this limit.

4. Transportation Director's Report

Recent transportation planning activities and upcoming agenda items for the MAG Management Committee will be reviewed by the Transportation Director.

COMMITTEE ACTION REQUESTED

- 2. Approve Draft minutes of the March 29, 2007 meeting.
- 3. For information and discussion.

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ITEMS TO BE HEARD

5. <u>Interim Closeout of the Federal Fiscal Year</u> (FFY) 2007 MAG Federally Funded Program

The interim closeout has established that there should be at least \$13.86 million in unobligated MAG Federal funds available for the current fiscal year. This includes four additional projects that have recently been requested for deferral. In addition, there may be as much as \$2.0 million in redistributed Obligation Authority, which usually is notified to States and Metropolitan Planning

5. For information, discussion and possible action to recommend the deferral of additional projects from FFY 2007 to FFY 2008 or later, and to make recommendations on possible priorities for utilizing MAG Federal funds that become available through the FFY 2007 Closeout Process.

Organizations during late July to mid August, but occasionally has occurred as late at mid September. Member agencies have submitted requests for closeout projects totaling \$9.34 million (see Table B in Attachment One). These projects have been listed as Close Out priorities, and are currently being rated for CMAQ scores, where appropriate. Members will have the opportunity to review the projects submitted for consideration and recommend priorities for the funding expected to be available. Additional information on the CMAQ scores will be provided as soon as they are available.

6. <u>Draft FY 2008 Arterial Life Cycle Program</u> (ALCP)

The MAG Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) identifies a total of 94 arterial street projects, which have been programmed by year in the ALCP. The arterial street projects will be directly funded from the regional halfcent sales tax extension, and from MAG federal funds. As part of the ALCP process, Lead Agencies are required to update ALCP Project information at least once a year. While developing the Draft FY 2008 ALCP, participating Lead Agencies have submitted project information for all ALCP Projects following the process and deadlines that were set for the 2008-2012 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) and the RTP 2007 Update. MAG staff has programmed the Draft FY 2008 ALCP using this Project information, along with the projected revenue streams of the Regional Area Road Fund (RARF), MAG Surface Transportation Program funds (STP-MAG), and Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) funds. Please refer to Attachment Number Two for further information.

7. <u>Update on the Interstate 10-Hassayampa</u>
<u>Valley Roadway Framework and Interstates 8 and 10-Hidden Valley</u>

6. For information, discussion and possible action to recommend approval of the Draft FY 2008 Arterial Life Cycle Program (ALCP).

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Roadway Framework Studies

Since May 2006, MAG has had the Interstate 10-Hassayampa Vallev Roadway Framework Study underway for establishing a transportation framework for a significant portion of Maricopa County west of the White Tank Mountains. In March 2007, MAG initiated the Interstates 8 and 10-Hidden Valley Roadway Framework Study encompassing western Pinal and southwestern Maricopa Counties. A briefing will be provided to the committee about the results that have been generated thus far on the Hassayampa Valley project, information about the project planning process programmed for the Hidden Valley area. The present schedules for each project anticipate bringing the Hassayampa Valley project for MAG acceptance in September 2007, and the Hidden Valley project is underway through October 2008.

8. <u>Update on the Building a Quality Arizona:</u> Statewide Intrastate Mobility Reconnaissance Study

In 2006 and early 2007, members of the

Arizona COG Directors Association have been meeting to discuss the impacts of growth on the state transportation system and the need for improvements for both projects and long-term funding. Given the successful efforts completed in the MAG-sponsored Hassayampa Valley Roadway Framework Study, a Statewide Intrastate Mobility Reconnaissance Study was launched by the Association for the following purposes: to identify how additional framework studies could be accomplished throughout Arizona; to provide a cursory review of the near-term needs in transportation infrastructure; and

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to implement a statewide sketch planning tool for estimating travel demand between the state's activity centers and to/from external sources. A briefing will be provided to the committee on the status of the project that was began in April 2007, and scheduled for completion by December 2007.

9. Member Agency Update

This section of the Agenda will provide Committee members with an opportunity to share information regarding a variety of transportation-related issues within their respective communities.

10. Next Meeting Date

The next regular TRC meeting will be scheduled Thursday, June 28, 2007, at 10:00 a.m. in the MAG Office, Saguaro Room.

9. For information and discussion.

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